From the Committee on Government Reform, for consideration of sec. 4205 of the House bill, and sec. 2101 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Tom Davis of Virginia, Platts, and Waxman;

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From the Committee on Homeland Security, for consideration of secs. 1834, 6027, 7324, and 7325 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Cox, Daniel E. Lungren of California, and Thompson of Mississippi;

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From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 1211, 1605, 1812, 1832, 2013, 2017, 4105, 4201, 4202, 4214, 7018–7020, and 7023 of the House bill, and secs. 1410, 1512, 1513, 6006, 6029, 7108, 7113, 7115, 7338, 7340, 7343, 7345, 7362, 7363, 7406, 7407, and 7413 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Sensenbrenner, Smith of Texas, and Conyers;

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From the Committee on Resources, for consideration of secs. 1119, 3021, 6002, and 6003 of the House bill, and secs. 1501, 1502, 1505, 1511, 1514, 1601, 1603, 6040, and 7501–7518 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Pombo, Walden of Oregon, and Kind;

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From the Committee on Rules, for consideration of secs. 8004 and 8005 of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Dreier, Capito, and McGovern;

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From the Committee on Science, for consideration of secs. 2010, 3013, 3015, 3034, 3039, 3041, 4112, and Title V of the House bill, and Title II and secs. 6014, 6015, 6036, 7118, 7212, 7214, 7361, and 7370 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Ehlers, Reichert, and Gordon;

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of Title X of the House bill, and Title V of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Thomas, McCrery, and Rangel; and

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For consideration of the House bill and Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Majority Leader Mr. DeLay.

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Memorial Day District Work Period: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 167 providing for a conditional adjournment of the House and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourn today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, May 30, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in H. Con.

Res. 167 in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 8.

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Resignation of Inspector General: Read a letter from Steven A. McNamara, in which he announced his resignation as Inspector General for the House of Representatives, effective May 30, 2005. Page H4119

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Thornberry, or if he is not available, Representative Gilchrest to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through June 7, 2005.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4125.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H4084, H4111–12, H4112–13, H4113–14, and H4117–18. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and at 6:23 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 167 stands adjourned until noon on Monday, May 30, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in the H. Con. Res. 167, in which case the House shall stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL WORKERS COMPENSATION IMPROVEMENT; FEDERAL FIREFIGHTERS FAIRNESS ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Sub-committee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 2561, To amend the Federal Employees' Compensation Act to cover services provided to injured Federal workers by physician assistants and nurse practitioners; and H.R. 697, Federal Firefighters Fairness Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Representative Jo Ann Davis of Virginia; and public witnesses.

CLEAR SKIES INITIATIVE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing on the Administration's Clear Skies Initiative. Testimony was heard from James L. Connaughton, Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; and Jeffrey R. Holmstead, Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA.

PANDEMIC FLU THREAT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "The Threat of and Planning for Pandemic Flu." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Bruce Gellin, Director, National Vaccine Program Office, Office of Public Health and Science; Julie Louise Gerberding, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Marcia Crosse, Director, Health Care Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

DTV TRANSITION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on the DTV Transition Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Rick Chessen, Chair, DTV Task Force, FCC; Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO; Steve Souder, Director, 911 Emergency Communications Center, Montgomery County, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DETECTING CRIMES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "The First Line of Defense: The Role of Financial Institutions in Detecting Financial Crimes." Testimony was heard from William J. Fox, Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury; Michael Morehart, Director, Terrorist Financing Operations Section, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

DRUG TESTING IN AMERICAN SPORTS; POSTAL SERVICE FACILITY NAMING

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2565, to reauthorize the Office of National Drug Control Policy Act and to establish minimum drug testing standards for major professional sports leagues; and H.R. 2326, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 614 West Old County Road in Belhaven, North Carolina, as the "Floyd Lupton Post Office."

FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled "Federal Student Loan Program: Are They Meeting the Needs of Students and Schools?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Theresa S. Shaw, Chief Operating Officer, Federal Student Aid Office; and John P. Higgins, Jr., Inspector General; and public witnesses.

TERRORIST ACTIVITIES—NUCLEAR BOMB BUILDING

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack also held a hearing entitled "Building a Nuclear Bomb: Identifying Early Indicators of Terrorist Activities." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOREIGN RELATIONS AUTHORIZATION ACT; RESOLUTION REGARDING SREBRENICA MASSACRE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 2601, amended, Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2006 and 2007; and H. Res. 199, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the massacre at Srebrenica in July 1995.

U.S. AND NORTHEAST ASIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on the United States and Northeast Asia. Testimony was heard from Christopher Hill, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and Richard P. Lawless, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Asian and Pacific Affairs, Bureau of International Security Affairs, Department of Defense.

OVERSIGHT—USA PATRIOT ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on the Implementation of the USA PATRIOT Act: Section 505 and 804. Section 505 of the Act Addresses National Security Letters; Section 804 of the Act Addresses Jurisdiction Over Crimes Committed at U.S. Facilities Abroad; and Material Witness Provisions of the Criminal Code. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Chuck Rosenberg, Chief of Staff to Deputy Attorney General; and Matthew Berry, Counselor to the Assistant Attorney General; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans held an oversight hearing on Public Access within the National Wildlife Refuge System. Testimony was heard from William Hartwig, Assistant Director, Refugees, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; William S. Dudley, Immediate Past Director of Naval History, Department of the Navy; and public witnesses.

FREE TRADE—DOES CHINA ENACT BARRIERS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology and the Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports held a joint hearing on Does China Enact Barriers to Fair Trade? Testimony was heard from Steve Pinkos, Office of the Under Secretary and Director, U.S. Patent and Trade Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

TAX-EXEMPT HOSPITAL SECTOR

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the Tax-Exempt Hospital Sector. Testimony was heard from Mark W. Everson, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; Mark McClellan, M.D., Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY—PROTECTING AND STRENGTHENING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on Protecting and

Strengthening Social Security. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rangel, Shaw, Sam Johnson of Texas, Lewis of Kentucky, Brady of Texas, Ryan of Wisconsin, Weller, Kolbe, Boyd, Solis, Thompson of Mississippi, Conaway, Spratt, Gonzalez, Wasserman Schultz, Cleaver, Matsui, Jackson-Lee of Texas, and Fossella.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL UPDATES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a Briefing on Global Updates. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.